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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
TAX POLICY

Wednesday, June 17, 2015 10:30 a.m. Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jeff Farrington.

Members present: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the minutes from the Wednesday, June 3, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid the following bills before the committee:

HB 4647 (Potvin) Individual income tax; checkoff; Boy Scouts of Michigan fund; provide for.

HB 4648 (Potvin) Individual income tax; other; Boy Scouts of Michigan fund act; create.

Representative Potvin and Matt Thornton, representing the Boy Scouts of America, introduced the bills to the committee.

Harlene Coutteau, Chuck Coutteau, Brandon Sinclair, and Elizabeth Wisman, representing themselves, testified in support of HB 4647 and HB 4648.

Marc Shaberman, representing the Secular Coalition for Michigan, testified in opposition to HB 4647 and HB 4648.

Paul Connors, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4647 and HB 4648.

The Chair laid HB 4677 before the committee:

HB 4677 (Maturen) Property tax; assessments; splitting of qualified agricultural property to allow a portion to be taxed differently; allow.

Representative Maturen introduced his bill to the committee.

Paul Connors, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified in support of HB 4677.

The following people submitted testimony cards in support of HB 4677, but did not wish to speak:

David Worthams, representing the Michigan Bankers Association.

Doug Merriam, representing the Michigan Realtors.

Justin Clement, representing the Michigan Soybean Association.

Rebecca Park, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Mickey Knight, representing the Michigan Assessors Association.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:55 a.m.

Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
June 17, 2015
25 minutes

Date Approved and Signed